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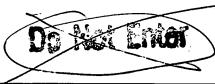
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## Reply Under 37 CFR §1.116 **INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS**

Sir,

In response to the final Official Office Action mailed February 5, 2003, paper no. 6, and having a three (3) month shortened statutory period for reply, please enter the following amendment to the above-identified patent application. Applicants respectfully request entry of the amendment as the claims have been amended pursuant to the examiner's clarification. Applicant respectfully requests reconsideration or further examination of the claimed invention and consideration of the remarks herein.